



USNMC Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, June 13, 2017
8:30pm Eastern, 7:30pm Central

Members Present: Gonnie Schaffer, Rachel Hosking, Alaina Pierret, Michael McDonald, Sherry Deans, Jessica Gibbons, Aaron Lozano, Will McGill

Members Absent: Carol Armbrust, Cassandra Boczar

The meeting was called to order by President Gonnie Schaffer at 8:33EST/7:33CST.

The minutes of the May 9th BOD meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mike McDonald and seconded by Jessica Gibbons to approve the minutes as distributed. No objections; motion carries.

President's Report

Gonnie thanked the retiring board members and asked that plaques be made for Carol Armbrust and Will McGill.

Secretary Report

Alaina reported that the minutes from the May meeting were emailed on 5/11. She also reported that a request for names for a new judges list was sent to the membership on 5/16.

Treasurer Report

Mike stated that the treasurers' report was included with the meeting packet and asked if anyone had any questions. A motion was made by Jessica and seconded by Sherry Deans to approve the treasurers' report as distributed. No objections; motion carries.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee – Rachel Hosking, Chair

Rachel reported that new membership applicant, John Flatt's name was uploaded on to the website and membership was notified by email. It has been more than 10 days and she received no response from any members regarding this application. She requested a BallotBin vote be started. Alaina stated that she would get that set up.

2017 National Specialty Committee – Jessica Gibbons, Chair

Jessica reported that she talked to our contact at the expo center about the bar situation. She has a meeting on Thursday (6/15) to discuss that and will get back to Jessica. She did mention an option of hiring someone licensed to serve alcohol but we (the club) would have to purchase the alcohol in advance and bring it. She'll send me info on that. I'll share all of that when I get it. Jessica also stated that she spoke with the all-breed chair (after he ran into Rachel and Alaina at a show) and he mentioned that he is having a room set aside just for Neo and Pumi exhibitors to crate their dogs in overnight, with supervision. They are also hosting a Meet the Breeds on Saturday at noon. She also mentioned that we are in need of auction items. Discussion followed regarding the purchase of Jim Deppens' airline ticket. Jessica asked is the club purchases the ticket or if Jim needs to and request a reimbursement? The board agreed to purchase the ticket

Fundraising Committee – Carol Armbrust, Chair

No report

NeoRescue Liaison Committee – Carol Armbrust, Chair

No report

Website Committee – Michael McDonald, Chair

Nothing new to report

Communications Committee – Alaina Pierret, Chair

Nothing new to report

By-Laws Committee – Peggy Wolfe, Chair

Nothing new to report

Judges and Public Education Committee – Bill Goetz, Chair

No report since there was no meeting. Gonnie requested that a review of the committee be placed on the July agenda.

Elections of New Members

John Flatt (second reading) – BallotBin vote requested

Unfinished Business

- Update on North Carolina Working Group Specialty (possible site for 2018 Specialty)
 - Rachel stated that she didn't have much to report but mentioned that a show chair was needed. Jessica volunteered to act as chair.
- New National and Regional Specialty Judges List
 - Alaina reported that the names were compiled and attached to the packet. She stated that she verified judging status as best she could and pointed out that a few name could not be verified. Alaina stated that she would send the past assignments for the AKC judges and Gonnie requested that the list be put on the agenda for the July meeting.

New Business

- AKC National Championship Medallion Request & Meet the Breeds
 - Alaina reported that she received a request for MTB confirmation & liaison information for the National Championship show held in Orland, FL and mentioned that this info is needed before August 1st. She also mentioned that the order deadline for medallions is August 1st also and stated that there is a standing approval for purchase. Gonnie requested that both items be placed on the July agenda.
- World Series of Meet the breed - Houston TX
 - Rachel stated that she was contacted by the organizer for Meet the breed - Houston and put forth our club's name to participate in the event. She pointed out that this will be our seventh year doing this in conjunction with the World Series of dog shows. She contacted Bill - JE Chair via email to let him know of the club's participation.
- Canine Influenza Virus Outbreak
 - John Grimes asked to discuss the recent outbreak of CIV and asked how this would affect Nationals. General discussion followed and all agreed that a fact sheet could be helpful.
- 2019 Joint Italian Breeds National Specialty Update
 - Gonnie reported that he heard back for Jeff Fischer regarding the proposed show. The location that was decided upon is the Celtic Cluster

in York, PA. He forwarded the email with information regarding the show and asked if everyone had time to review it. General discussion followed. John made a motion to accept the offer to join with the cluster. Jessica seconded the motion and after discussion, a BallotBin vote was requested. Alaina stated she would get that set up quickly so Gonnie can notify Mr. Fischer about the decision.

The next scheduled meeting will be held Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 8:30EST/7:30CST.

With no further business, a motion was made by Mike and seconded by Jessica to adjourn. No objections; motion carries. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45pmEST/8:45pmCST.

Respectfully submitted,
Alaina Pierret
USNMC Secretary